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SUBJECT:

1. THE RELEASE OF VN AND KHMER REFUGEES FROM OUR RECEPTION CENTERS IS PROCEEDING AT A REASONABLE RATE. WE HAVE SUCCEEDED IN RESETTLING MORE THAN 55,000 REFUGEES TO DATE. SUBIC BAY HAS BEEN DISCONTINUED AS A PACIFIC STAGING AREA. 6,900 REFUGEES REMAIN ON WAKE, AND GUAM CURRENTLY HAS 10,000 AWAITING ONWARD MOVEMENT TO THE FOUR CONUS CENYERS.

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2. UNTIL THIS POINT WE HAVE BEEN PRINCIPALLY FOCUSING OUR EFFORTS AT REDUCING THE GUAM POPULATION WHICH DUE TO ITS SIZE WAS THREATENED BY SERIOUS HEALTH AND CLIMATIC PROBLEMS AND HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO ACCEPT NEW REFUGEES INTO

OUR SYSTEM. WE WISH TO THANK EACH POST FOR ITS PATIENCE AND DILIGENT WORK IN THE SCREENING AND PROCESSING OF INDO-CHINESE REFUGEES IN THIRD-COUNTRY REFUGEE CAMPS. WE MAY NOW UNDERTAKE A LARGER FLOW OF REFUGEES INTO THE US SYSTEM FROM THIRD COUNTRIES. WE WISH TO PROVIDE NEW GUIDELINES WHICH SHOULD HELP EXPEDITE THIS MOVEMENT. GUIDELINES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

(A) VERIFICATION OF FAMILY RELATIONSHIPS: EMBASSIES WILL RECOGNIZE THAT WITHOUT CURRENT AND ACCURATE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF RELATIVES IN THE UNITED STATES IT WILL BE EXTREMELY DIFFICULT, IF NOT IMPOSSIBLE, FOR US TO VERIFY FAMILY RELATIONSHIPS. INS HAS AGREED TO SIMPLIFY FAMILY VERIFICATION BY INSTITUTING A SWORN AFFIDAVIT WHICH WILL SERVE TO CONFIRM FAMILY RELATIONSHIPS. IT MAY BE USED BY REFUGEES OR VN AND KHMER IN THE US. COPIES WILL BE SENT SEPARATELY FOR DUPLICATION AT POST.

(1) SECURITY CLEARANCES. THE VISA FALCON SYSTEM WILL CONTINUE TO BE USED TO OBTAIN SECURITY CLEARANCES FOR REFUGEES PROCEEDING TO THE UNITED STATES. NO FURTHER USE OF FORM G-325A IS AUTHORIZED. WE ARE TRYING TO ACHIEVE A 14-DAY TURNAROUND ON SECURITY CLEARANCES BUT POSTS ARE ADVISED THAT SIX SEPARATE AGENCIES MUST RESPOND BEFORE THE PROCESS IS COMPLETE. THIS PROCESS IS TIME CONSUMING AND NOT WITHOUT FLAWS. A CONFIRMED SECURITY CLEARANCE IS REQUIRED FOR ALL FAMILY MEMBERS OVER 16 YEARS OF AGE.

(2) FORMER U.S. GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES. VISA FALCON CABLES SHOULD BE SUBMITTED FOR ALL USG EMPLOYEES, NOTING FORMER AGENCY OF EMPLOYMENT.

(B) AFFIDAVITS. REFUGEES ARE EXPECTED TO COMPLETE AFFIDAVITS LISTING ASSETS AND LIABILITIES (INS FORM G-648). IN ADDITION, SIGNED STATEMENTS ARE REQUIRED STATING THAT THEY DID NOT ENGAGE IN ACTS OF PERSECUTION (INS FORM G-646). INSTRUCTIONS ON THE USE OF THESE FORMS AND SAMPLES OF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
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FORMS WILL BE PROVIDED FOR LOCAL REPRODUCTION.

(C) MEDICAL. REFUGEES PROCEEDING TO THE US STAGING OR RECEPTION CENTERS WILL NOT REPEAT NOT BE REQUIRED TO HAVE FULL MEDICAL CLEARANCES. CONSULAR OFFICERS WILL SCREEN FOR OBVIOUS MEDICAL CASES. IN THOSE RARE INSTANCES WHERE THE REFUGEE IS ABLE OR INTENDS TO PROCEED DIRECTLY TO A SPONSOR IN THE UNITED STATES, NOT PASSING THROUGH STAGING AREA RECEPTION CENTERS, HE WILL BE REQUIRED TO HAVE A FULL MEDICAL CLEARANCE.

(D) TRANSPORTATION. ALL REFUGEES WILL PROCEED UNTIL

FURTHER NOTICE TO CONUS RECEPTION CENTERS. INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE FOR EUROPEAN MIGRATION (ICEM), ACTING AS AGENT FOR THE U.S. GOVERNMENT IN THIS REGARD, WILL ARRANGE TRANSPORTATION IN COORDINATION WITH IATF/JCS (STATE 158811). ICEM WILL RESTRICT MOVEMENT PLAN GIVING IATF/JCS AT LEAST 10 DAY LEAD TIME.

INTERNAL TRANSPORTATION TO THE POINT OF DEPARTURE SHOULD BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE HOST GOVERNMENT OR OF LOCAL VOLUNTARY GROUPS. WHERE USG ASSETS ARE AVAILABLE AT NO ADDITIONAL COST THEY MAY BE USED AT POST'S DISCRETION. UNUSUAL INTERNAL TRANSPORTATION REQUIREMENTS OR DIFFICULTIES MAY BE SUBMITTED TO IATF FOR CONSIDERATION. NO USG-FINANCED TRAVEL WILL BE AUTHORIZED FOR ANY INDIVIDUAL WHO WOULD ARRIVE IN THE U.S. WITH MORE THAN DOLS 4,000 US PER CAPITA. ICEM HAS BEEN SO INFORMED.

(E) DEFINITION OF A REFUGEE. UNDER CURRENT GUIDELINES FOR THIS PAROLE PROGRAM, A REFUGEE IS DEFINED AS A PERSON WHO DEPARTED VIETNAM OR CAMBODIA BETWEEN MARCH 15, 1975, AND JULY 1, 1975, IN FEAR OF PERSECUTION AND WHO CANNOT RETURN THERETO BECAUSE OF SUCH FEAR. INCLUDED WITHIN THIS DEFINITION IS: (1) IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBERS OF THOSE WHO EVACUATED BETWEEN MARCH 15, 1975, AND JULY 1, 1975; (2) ANYONE EMPLOYED BY THE U. S. GOVERNMENT AT THE TIME OF THE GENERAL EVACUATION OF VIETNAM AND CAMBODIA; (3) DIPLOMATS OR EMPLOYEES OF VIETNAM AND CAMBODIAN OFFICIAL MISSIONS ABROAD WHO HAVE NOT BEEN ACCEPTED BY COUNTRY OF FIRST REFUGEE OR BY A THIRD COUNTRY AND WHO ASK FOR U.S. LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
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(F) PROOF OF USG EMPLOYMENT. A REFUGEE WHO CLAIMS PREVIOUS USG EMPLOYMENT MUST TO QUALIFY FOR PAROLE HAVE BEEN EMPLOYED AFTER JANUARY 1, 1970. A USG IDENTIFICATION CARD WILL SUFFICE AS PROOF. IF NO CARD IS AVAILABLE THE NAMES OF THOSE CLAIMING PAST EMPLOYMENT TOGETHER WITH AGENCY OF EMPLOYMENT SHOULD BE SENT TO THE IATF WHERE ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE MADE TO CHECK NAMES AGAINST AGENCY PERSONNEL ROLLS. WHERE RECORDS ARE NOT ADEQUATE, THE IATF WILL SEEK SWORN AFFIDAVITS FROM RESPONSIBLE PRESENT OR FORMER AMERICAN OFFICIALS OR KEY LOCAL EMPLOYEES. IF EMPLOYEE TERMINATED HIS ASSOCIATION SIX MONTHS BEFORE THE EVACUATION OF VIETNAM OR CAMBODIA, SECURITY CHECK MUST BE PERFORMED IN VISAS FALCON CHANNEL. KISSINGER UNQTE KISSINGER

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